control. The ministers are men of the world and of character, and therefore fittest for his Majesty's society."

His advice was taken, and the ministers invited to supper regularly during the confinement of the King to his own apartment. Upon this the Count d'Artois went to the ministers and made them believe it was he who had given the hint of inviting them to His Majesty. When in the King's presence, they expressed their sense of obligation to His Royal Highness, upon which Louis exclaimed : " Ce n'est pas lui, c'est ma femme qui m'en a pri6;" which made him look rather silly.

M. de Carondelet, who has married Miss Plunket, daughter of Lord Dunsany, is fifty-four, the lady twenty-four. He is the most passionate lover ever seen, and cannot bear to be absent from her a moment; he even sits by her at table. He calls her " Mirnie," and says he has forgotten all music except two notes, "Mimi, U," laying his hand upon his heart. Someone said, " Quand il mourra, on mettra sur sa tombe Mimi R mi la." He fell in love with her at Spa by being

sent, *a dessein* to prevail upon her to join a party of pleasure which she had refused. He stole upon her unawares and found her reading his travels: